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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board from the decision of the Primary Examiner mailed May 7, 2003 finally rejecting claims 1-89.

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1. EXTENSION OF TIME PETITION AND FEE

X Attached is a petition for a 1-month extension of time for reply to the final rejection.

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- 3. PAYMENT
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